

## Message Text

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TAGS: PFOR SO US

SUBJ: PRESIDENTIAL REPLY TO SIAD LETTER

REF: STATE 065337

1. I DELIVERED PRESIDENT NIXON' S LETTER TO SOMALI PRESIDENT SIAD MORNING APRIL 12. ( ORIGINAL HAD JUST ARRIVED BY POUCH.)
2. SIAD WAS MANIFESTLY DELIGHTED. HE SAID THE LETTER WAS " SHORT AND SHARP." IT WAS TWICE AS HARD TO WRITE A SHORT PITHY LETTER AS IT WAS TO WRITE A LONG ONE.
3. SIAD ASKED ME TO CONVEY HIS WARM THANKS AND APPRECIATION TO PRESIDENT NIXON. HE INTENDS TO WORK WITH USG TOWARD WORLD PEACE. " TELL PRESIDENT NIXON ALSO THAT WE SOMALIS ARE RUNNING OUR OWN COUNTRY" ( I. E. SOMALIA IS NOT IN THE SOVIETS' POCKET).
4. SIAD SAID PRESIDENT NIXON WAS THE STATESMAN OF THE YEAR. WHAT HE HAD DONE WAS TO OPEN A NEW PAGE IN AMERICA' S HISTORY. NO ONE HAD EVER EXPECTED THAT HE WOULD BRING PEACE IN VIETNAM OR OPEN A DIALOGUE WITH THE PRC. IT HAD TAKEN ENORMOUS VISION AND COURAGE AND HE GREATLY ADMIRED THE PRESIDENT FOR IT.  
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